

PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:
DALE E. GULICK

Serial No.: 10/066,879

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For: ASF DETERMINATION USING
CHIPSET-RESIDENT WATCHDOG
TIMER

Group Art Unit: 2113

Examiner: M. Duncan

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 OF MARK W. SINCELL

1. My name is Mark W. Sincell. I am a patent agent in the firm of Williams, Morgan & Amerson. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.
2. On May 15, 2000, Williams Morgan & Amerson received a request from AMD's legal department to prepare a United States patent application for the invention described in invention disclosure form number TT4031. The invention disclosure form is signed by Dale E. Gulick, and it is dated January 28, 2000. See Exhibit A.
3. At some point after May 15, 2000, the invention disclosure form number TT4031 was reviewed and a draft patent application for the invention described in the invention disclosure form was prepared.
4. The formal papers for the application were signed on January 30, 2002 by inventor Gulick.
5. Upon receipt of the formal papers signed by Mr. Gulick, the application was filed on February 4, 2002, with the United States Patent and Trademark Office via Express Mail.

6. As further evidence of the diligence of the inventors and the attorneys and/or agents involved in the preparation and filing of the above captioned patent application, it is noted that the present application was prepared and filed as part of a group of 18 related applications, as indicated at line 13 on page 13 of the Patent Application. Dale E. Gulick is named as an inventor on 16 of the 18 related applications. For the Examiner's convenience, the list of related applications and their filing dates, as set forth in the Patent Application, is provided as Exhibit C. The above-captioned patent application is also a continuation-in-part of three patent applications, whose inventor is Dale E. Gulick, as discussed below.

7. Drafts of the 16 related applications that named Dale E. Gulick as an inventor were sent to Mr. Gulick for review between the dates of March 9, 2000 and May 2, 2001.

8. The 18 related applications were filed with the United States Patent Office between April 7, 2000 and May 30, 2001.

9. The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/045,117, filed on November 1, 2001, entitled, "MICROCOMPUTER BRIDGE FOR REMOTE MANAGEABILITY," and whose inventor is Dale E. Gulick.


10. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/033,142, filed on November 1, 2001, entitled, "MICROCOMPUTER BRIDGE ARCHITECTURE WITH AN EMBEDDED MICROCONTROLLER," and whose inventor is Dale E. Gulick.

11. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/005,648, filed on December 3, 2001, entitled, "Embedded Processor Supporting Both ACPI and ASF Operations," and whose inventor is Dale E. Gulick.

12. I understand that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

13. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: 8/4/05



Mark W. Sincell